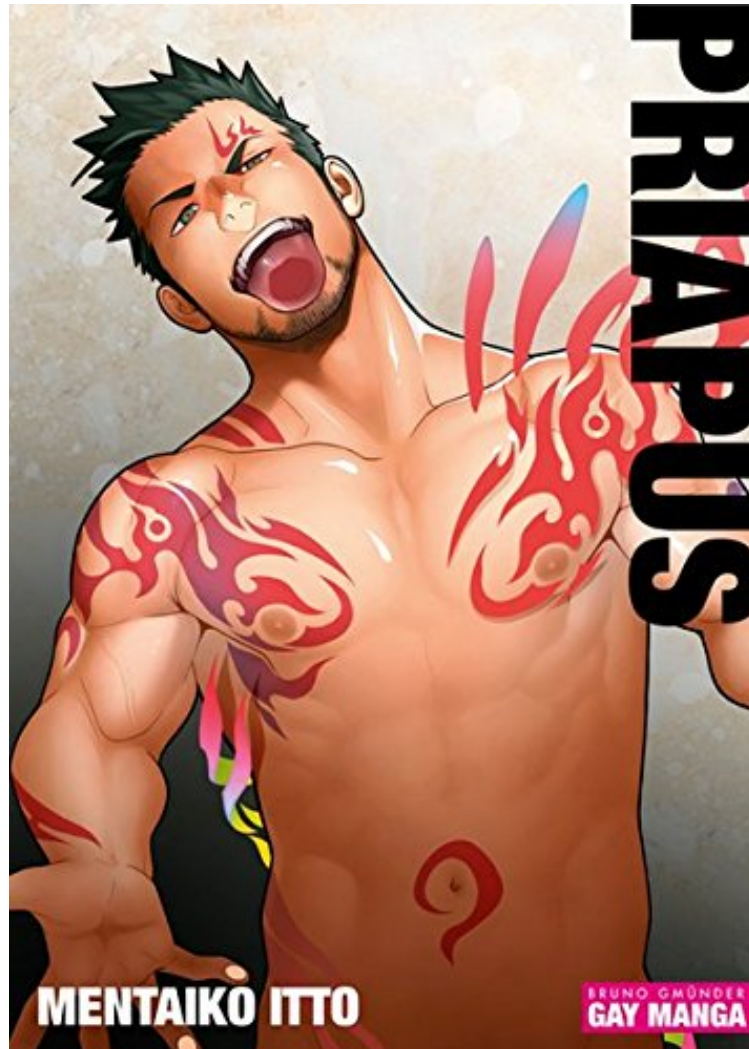


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Mentaiko Itto : Priapus before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Priapus:

14 of 14 people found the following review helpful. You must buy this book. Now.By AmidanshiFinally in English, this outstanding collection of one of Japan's leading gay mangaka is worth every cent and then some. Most people who are familiar with Mentaiko Itto have already read these works as fan scanlations, without a doubt. However, this volume is a "definite buy" for several reasons.* It is the first time Mentaiko's art has been made available uncensored. "De-censored" works, while respectable, are just not the same as seeing the original, unmasked versions from the artist himself. As he says in the afterword, "Having to cover up those genitals that I'd worked so hard to draw always made me sad, but knowing that everything I drew will now be on full display makes me very happy."* You are supporting

the artist by buying this book. Whatever percentage is paid to him as royalties is still that much more than he receives from scanned versions. It is our duty as fans to support the artists who work so hard to please us. It's just the right thing to do. While I enjoy plenty of scanned works myself, I did not hesitate to buy this volume when I saw it.* You encourage both Mentaiko and other gay artists to continue publishing more uncensored works in English. Wouldn't it be great to see volume after volume of dicks and asses hanging out, fluids covering the page, and not a single censor bar to be found? I think it would be a step closer to heaven, quite honestly. There are probably a ton more reasons, but all you need is one. The art is exceptional, the stories are great, and the smut is top notch. If you are a fan of gay comics, even if you've never read Mentaiko or any other Japanese mangaka before, then you really must buy this book. Or, if you're a fan of gay erotica but have never really gotten into comics, you really should read it. Even if you're a maniacal fujoshi who reads 10 volumes of BL manga each day, you should still buy Mentaiko's first English release. I promise, you will not be disappointed in Mentaiko's art.

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Itto Mentaiko, my most favorite author!!! His first collection available in English!!! Artwork is fantastic!!!

By Adrian

Itto Mentaiko is my favorite Bara manga author. I love his style from his artwork to his storytelling. I was so happy to purchase his first collection of stories. I don't know where to begin on to describe this product. This book is titled "Priapus" but there is more than one story in this collection. This book comes with 3 chapters of Priapus, then single chapter stories of Gachinko Battle, 1/4 and 1000 Meters Deep. 6 Chapters altogether. This book is bigger than your average manga book which is great because the panels are bigger as well and the book comes with folded covers with artwork from some of the stories included in front and back of the book. The cool thing about this collection is there are no censorships in the art, it was mentioned by the Mentaiko in his afterword that you are seeing his hardwork censor-free, which is really great. The publisher is Bruno Gmunder, a German publisher that published Mentaiko's work in English. Thank you so much to this publisher for making Mentaiko and other bara authors works available to a wider audience. Physical releases of bara titles released outside Japan were hard to come before Bruno Gmunder starting publishing selected titles. I hope they publish more of Mentaiko's work, looking forward to second collection and more :) Definitely pick this book up if your a fan of bara manga. Bara manga audience is different from yaoi, its men's love compared to boy's love, even though older teenagers and young adults can still make an appearance in bara stories. But with Mentaiko's art style comes off as in between bara and yaoi, the guys are leaner and less hairy but they are still fit and less androgynous and more masculine looking. Again pick this up if your a fan of men's love manga, help support so we can get more bara books published.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. They fixed the cropping issues!

By xiaa

This book is a lot bigger than I thought it would be, and if you've been reading the top reviews, you might have heard that there are some cropping issues, but the version I got was a 2nd Edition. They went back and fixed all of the cropping issues very well!! There was only a single balloon I noticed in my book. Otherwise, the page quality and the content are AMAZING. It only contains the first 3 parts of the Priapus series and 3 other stories. Thank you so much Mentaiko and Bruno Gmunder for allowing us to buy this. I'm so happy to support Mentaiko, he deserves all the money!!!

You can't imagine Japan's manga scene without Mentaiko Itto's amusing gay mangas anymore. Bruno Gm nder now publishes his works for the first time in English, introducing him to a broader audience.

About the Author

Aside from drawing in the margins of his notebooks, Mentaiko Itto never went to school for art, and never had an art-related job. After he graduated in 2005, while working at a part-time job, he realized he wanted to start illustrating and authoring manga online.